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Department of Home

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Office of the District Magistrate, North Goa

Order

No. 8/38/2014-MAG/L & O/Bicholim/3500

Read: Letter No. DCB/BICH/Report/2018/1187
dated 16-07-2018.

Under Section 29A of the Goa Excise Act, 1964 read with Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1973

Whereas, Dy. Collector and Sub-Divisional Magistrate vide his letter read above has forwarded the Police report wherein it has been brought to his notice and reported by the Police Inspector of Valpoi Police Station that the Residents of Surla village within the Village Panchayat of Thane Dongurli, Village Panchayat of Satari Taluka in North Goa has informed that the tourists mainly from neighbouring District of Belgaum visiting the village of Surla create large scale menace, ruckus, and annoyance in the village. As per information available these tourists visit the isolated village of Surla mainly for drinking liquor which is relatively much cheaper than in Karnataka.

And whereas, it is further seen that the visiting tourist who mainly visit the village for drinking of liquor mostly during the rainy season in large groups of youth create nuisance in the village by drinking

on the streets and bathing in the open nullahs and thereby disrupting the free flow of pedestrian and traffic movement on the narrow village road which is the sole access to the village from highway. Therefore under the influence of Alcohol these visiting tourists are disturbing peace and tranquility of Surla village especially the women and children of the village who are vulnerable are scared and afraid to go in the open during the day due to the nuisance created by the drunken visitors. There is also a possibility of crime being committed against women and children due to this activity.

And whereas, Section 29(A) of the Goa Excise Duty Act, 1964 and The Goa Excise Rules made thereunder empowers the District Magistrate to order the closure of liquor bars, restaurants serving liquor, liquor shops, pubs, provision stores etc., at such times and for such period as may be necessary and appropriate for preservation of public peace and tranquility in such areas.

And whereas, in my considered opinion, there is sufficient ground for proceeding also under sub section (1) of Section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for putting reasonable restrictions through prohibitive orders by means of temporary prohibition on sale of liquor wine and all alcoholic beverages/drinks etc. by all the Liquor outlets such as bars and all shops, pubs, provision stores, restaurants where liquors are being served or sold in the village of Surla to curb all the menace, annoyance and nuisance created due to the visiting tourists who primarily visit the place for drinking alcoholic beverages till the situation returns to normalcy. Particularly to ensure total

protection to the vulnerable inhabitants of the village i.e. children and women who are presently living under possible threat of being targeted by the unruly behavior of the drunken youth tourists visiting the village. I have also examined the petitions from the Villagers as well as the Bar owners from Surla.

And whereas, I am satisfied that the circumstances do not permit the serving, in due time, of the notices individually upon the persons against whom this order is directed and therefore, under the powers vested in me under Section 29(A) of The Goa Excise Act and The Goa Excise Rules read with powers under sub-section (2) of Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, I, Levinson Martins, District Magistrate, North Goa hereby pass this order ex-parte and as under:

1. All the liquor bars, shops, pubs, clubs, provision stores or any establishment serving or selling liquor or alcoholic beverages in retail or packed bottle in the Village of Surla, within the Thane Dongurli Village Panchayat area of Satari Taluka in North Goa District are hereby prohibited from selling Liquor and all types of alcoholic beverages in retail or packed bottle/can from 20th July onwards for a period of 30 days.
2. If any liquor shop/bar, pub or any other establishment is found selling or serving liquor or alcoholic beverages and found to be contravening these orders, during the said period of prohibition, it shall result in the cancellation of licenses of the establishment violating these orders and the owner or offender shall be also liable for penal action under section 188 of Indian Penal Code, 1908, read with Section 30 of the Excise Duty Act, 1964 and other relevant provisions of laws in force.

The officials of the Excise Department, Police or any other authorized officers/officials shall act immediately to ensure strict enforcement of this prohibitory order and in case any violation comes to their notice or reported should forthwith report such cases to the Commissioner of Excise as well as SDM Bicholim.

Further, the Commissioner of Excise shall verify and submit detail report in respect of the existing bars and wholesale liquor shop/establishment serving liquor with respect to compliance of licence conditions and whether licences issued are in accordance with law.

Given under my hand and seal of this office on this 19th day of July, 2018.

Levinson Martins,
District Magistrate,
North Goa.

Department of Public Health

Directorate of Food and Drugs Administration

Notification

No. DFDA/FSSA/SG/NG/6(104)/2017/2316

1. Whereas, it has been brought to my notice that there is a possibility of fish vendors selling fresh fish including crustaceans which are treated/added with Formalin/Formaldehyde in the wake of ban on fishing imposed in the State of Goa which will continue till 31st July, 2018.

2. And whereas Formaldehyde/Formalin is not permitted for use in foods as per Food Safety and Standards Regulations, 2011.

3. And whereas, fresh fish treated/added with Formalin/Formaldehyde are to be considered as "Unsafe Food" under Section 3(1)(zz)(v) of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.

4. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (a) of sub-section (2) of Section 30 of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, I, J. Ashok Kumar, Commissioner of Food Safety, hereby prohibit the storage, distribution or sale of fresh fish including crustaceans brought from outside the State for consumption in the State of Goa, for a period of 15 (Fifteen) days from the date of issue of this Notification.

J. Ashok Kumar, IAS, Commissioner of Food Safety/Secretary (Health).

Bambolim, 18th July, 2018.

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